



**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re application of: Boney Mathew, et al.

Serial No. 09/494,837

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For: METHOD OF MAKING FLUOROCARBON COATED  
BRAIDED HOSE ASSEMBLIES

Attorney Docket No: 0153.00084

**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

This Amendment is in response to an Office Action dated July 2, 2004, Paper No. 06292004. Applicant hereby petitions for a two (2) month extension of time within which to respond to the outstanding Final Office Action. Granting the petition would extend the time for filing the Response to December 2, 2004. The appropriate petition fee of \$430.00 is enclosed herewith. Please preliminarily amend the application prior to consideration of the application on its merits consistent with the following instructions found attached hereto:

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